

## SEVERE LOCAL STORMS, OCTOBER, 1932

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[The table herewith contains such data as have been received concerning severe local storms that occurred during the month. A revised list of tornadoes will appear in the Annual Report of the Chief of Bureau]

Place	Date	Time	Width of path (yards)	Loss of life	Value of property destroyed	Character of storm	Remarks	Authority
Fontana, Calif.....	1	4 p. m.	13			Hailstorm	Auto tops and roofs damaged; poultry killed	Official, U. S. Weather Bureau.
Canton, N. Y.....	2	1 a. m.				Electrical	Barn destroyed	Do.
Fayetteville, Ark.....	3				\$1,500	do	2 horses killed; barn and contents destroyed	Do.
Pine Bluff, Ark. (7 miles north).	4	2:30 a. m.	880		3,000	Tornado	Property damaged	Do.
Eureka, Calif.....	5					Electrical	2 houses struck by lightning; several thousand dollars damage.	Do.
Myrtle Beach, S. C.....	5				25,000	Thunderstorm	Dwelling burned after being struck by lightning	Do.
Eastern Delaware County, N. Y.	5-6				125,000	Heavy rain and flood.	No details	Do.
Margarettsville, N. C., and vicinity.	5-6		50	1	35,000	Tornadic winds	Church, store, and a dozen houses destroyed; corn shocks torn up; path torn out in woods; number of persons injured.	Do.
Southampton County, Va.	6			1	7,500	do	Damage to buildings.	Do.
Eastern shore of Lake Okeechobee, Fla.	7	P. m.				Heavy rain	Crop loss on 10,000 acres; 40 square miles under water.	Do.
Phoenix, Ariz.....	8	A. m.				Electrical, rain, and wind.	Electric wires and property damaged; streets flooded.	Do.
Yuma, Ariz., north of.....	9-10				6,000	Heavy rain	15,000 acres of land flooded	Do.
Brewerton (near), N. Y.	10-11				60,000	Gale	Power lines disabled; property damaged; considerable loss in apple crop; 3 barges loaded with grain, bound from Buffalo to Albany, sunk.	Do.
					70,000			
New Haven, Conn., and vicinity.	10-11				1,000,000	Gale and storm tides.	Much damage to roads and property; sea wall battered.	Do.
Pensacola (near), Fla.....	15	1:18 p. m.			30,000	Gale	Cargo of asphalt lost	Do.
Valentine, Nebr.....	17-18					Glazestorm	No details	Do.
Sheridan, Wyo.....	17-18			2		Snowstorm	Much damage to trees	Do.
Wichita, Kans.....	18	10:25 p. m.		1	200	Wind	No other details	Do.
Bismarck, N. Dak.....	18-19					Snow, sleet, and rain.	Telephone and telegraph communication interrupted; roads in northern and western parts of the State blocked by snow.	Do.
Devils Lake, N. Dak.....	18-19					Icestorm	Much damage to all wire systems	Do.
Casper, Laramie, Lusk, Riverton, Dubois, Cheyenne, Rock River, and Green River, Wyo.	18, 19, and 21					Glazestorms	Considerable damage to telephone lines	Do.
Meridian, Miss., and vicinity.	22	5 p. m.				Heavy thunderstorm.	2 persons injured by lightning	Do.
Oklahoma City, Okla.....	25	5 a. m.			15,000-20,000	Electrical	10 oil tanks destroyed	Do.
Williamsport to Lock Haven, Pa.	26	P. m.				Strong winds	Damage to wires	Do.
Bayfield Peninsula, Wis., to Calumet, Mich.	28-29	P. m.			22,000	Heavy snow and gale.	Highways blocked, auto stalled, electric wires damaged; city dock at Ashland wrecked.	Do.
Dallas, Tex.....	31	3:50 to 6:00 a. m.				Thundersquall	Damage reported as result of high winds	Do.
Cowarts, Ala.....	31	11:30 a. m.	350	1	32,000	Tornado	16 persons injured; property damaged; path 4 miles long.	Do.
Grady County, Ga.....	31	3:00 p. m.	100		40,000	do	Electric wires and poles damaged; much property loss; about 30 persons injured, 2 probably fatally.	Do.
Gulfport, Miss. (3 miles east of).	31	3:10 p. m.				Thundersquall	Considerable damage to electric wires, buildings, and trees.	Do.
Thomasville, Ga.....	31	5-8 p. m.				Severe electrical, wind, and rain.	No material damage reported	Do.
Fort Smith, Ark.....	31				15,000	Electrical	Store building and stock damaged	Do.

<sup>1</sup> Miles instead of yards.